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MEMORANDUM FOR Kansas Army National Guard Commander

SUBJECT: ATAG Policy Letter #8, Delegate of Certification Authority for Bonus Payments to Soldiers

- 1. Reference: NGR 600-7, Selective Reserve Incentive Programs, dated 26 March 1999
- 2. The Kansas Army National Guard must meet the standard of timely processing of incentive payments to our Soldiers. This is a very serious Soldier care issue, and our performance has been unacceptable. In an effort to remedy late payments, and under the authority of Para 1-15a. 1-5b(5), 2-6b, 3-7c, 4-6(2), 6-6b, NGR 600-7, I delegate the certification authority for bonus payments to Soldiers to the JFHQ Incentive Manager.
- 3. The delegation authorizes the Incentive Manager to validate bonus payments in lieu of the Unit Commander. The Incentive Manager currently validates payment eligibility before all payments are processed and would continue to do so. With increased automation, the necessity for a Commander's validation of payment eligibility is redundant. The Incentive Manager can and will continue to verify a Soldier's drilling status, duty position qualification, SFPA status, AGR and/or Technician status and other eligibility requirements specific to individual bonus types.
- 4. Bonus payments will be processed on the effective date unless the unit requests payment be suspended or terminated due to a verified contractual infraction. In the event a suspension or termination is requested, the Unit Commander must do so in writing with complete justification.

5. This policy supersedes ATAG Policy Letter #8, Delegate of Certification Authority for Bonus

Payments to Soldiers, dated 6 October 2006.

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